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EXPORT REQUIREMENTS FOR THAILAND

ELIGIBLE/INELIGIBLE PRODUCTS

A. Eligible Product

- 1. Fresh/frozen beef, mutton and their edible by-products.
- 2. Fresh/frozen poultry and edible poultry products.
- 3. Fresh/frozen pork and pork products
- 4. Natural Casings

B. Ineligible Product

- 1. Fresh/frozen poultry and poultry products originating from birds from the States of California, Connecticut, Pennsylvania and Virginia due to Avian Influenza.*
- 2. Fresh/frozen poultry and poultry products originating from birds from the States of Arizona, California, Nevada and Texas due to Exotic Newcastle Disease.*

LABELING REQUIREMENTS

- A. Red Meat All carcasses, meat and offals shall bear the meat inspection legend. Products too small to be marked, shall be packed in closed containers bearing the inspection legend. Kidneys may be packed in closed containers bearing the inspection legend.
- B. Poultry All poultry and poultry products will be packed in closed containers bearing the inspection legend.

DOCUMENTATION REQUIREMENTS

- A. Certification Requirements.
 - 1. Fresh/Frozen red meat and poultry and red meat and poultry products Obtain FSIS Form 9060-5 Meat and Poultry Export Certificate of Wholesomeness.

- 2. Natural casings- Obtain FSIS Form 9060-18 (08/06/98) Animal Casing Export Certificate for Countries Requiring Ante-Mortem, Post Mortem and Sound and Clean Statements.
- 3. Record the date of processing or packing in the "Remarks section" of the export certificate.
- 4. All forms and additional statements must be signed by an FSIS veterinarian.
- B. Special statements for beef, mutton, their edible by-products and natural casings The following statements must be typed in the remarks section or on a USDA <u>letterhead</u> <u>certificate</u> certifying that:
 - 1. the United States has been free from Foot-and-Mouth disease and Rinderpest for twelve months preceding the slaughter of the animals and up to the time of export;
 - 2. the animals are born and reared in the United States or have been in the United States for not less than 4 months. (NOTE: Animals originating in Canada are regarded as American for the purpose of export to Thailand);
 - 3. the products have been processed in a designated establishment in a sanitary manner under constant veterinary supervision and derived from animals which received ante-mortem and post-mortem examinations and found free from diseases;
 - 4. the products do not contain preservatives, additives, or other substances at a level harmful to human health;
 - 5. the products are fit for human consumption and every precaution has been taken to prevent contamination prior to export;
 - 6. the products have not been stored for more than 3 months, and
 - 7. the United States is free of BSE.
- C. Special Statements for poultry and poultry products The following statements must be typed in the remarks section or on a USDA <u>letterhead certificate</u> certifying that:
 - 1. the United States has been free from Fowl Plague for the last twelve months preceding slaughter and up to the time of export;
 - 2. the birds are born and reared in the United States or have been in the United States for not less than thirty days;

- 3. the products have been processed in an approved establishment in a sanitary manner under constant veterinary supervision and derived from birds that received ante-mortem and post-mortem examination and found free of disease;
- 4. the products do not contain preservatives, additives, or other substances at a level harmful to human health;
- 5. the products are fit for human consumption and every precaution has been taken to prevent contamination prior to export;
- 6. the products have not been stored for more than 3 months; and
- 7. the products originate from a state free of Avian Influenza*;
- 8. the products originate from a state free of Exotic Newcastle Disease*; and
- 9. duck and duck products. The ducks have come from farms free from Duck Viral Hepatitis and Duck Viral Enteritis for the last 12 months.
- D. Permits (Included as information for the exporter)
 - 1. The Department of Livestock Development (DLD) requires an import permit for uncooked pork.
 - 2. All food products imported into Thailand must be licensed with the Thai Food and Drug Administration. Items deemed to be "special control" (includes most packaged foods) must be registered, requiring a fee and thorough product analysis as described below:
 - a. a product sample for analysis in Thai Government laboratories;
 - b. seven copies of the package labels;
 - c. a description of the package including information on the materials and processes used in the construction;
 - d. for bulk shipments, a photograph clearly showing the product name, brand name, manufacturer's name, and net weight;
 - e. a list of product ingredients by percentage of total;
 - f. a description of the manufacturing process; and
 - g. a certifying letter from the product manufacturer (if different from the exporter) giving the manufacturer's name and package information as described above in 3.

NOTE: Exporters are advised to select an experienced importer to handle this clearance procedure.

HANDLING/STORAGE REQUIREMENTS

The products exported to Thailand must not be trans-shipped at any intermediate port. These products are subject to inspection upon arrival.

PLANTS ELIGIBLE TO EXPORT

Any Federally inspected meat establishment is eligible to export to Thailand.

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